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Benbrook Boulevard/ U.S. 377

TxDOT and the City of Benbrook to Begin the Next Phase of Construction

FORT WORTH — Beginning Sunday, July 19, traffic along Benbrook Boulevard/U.S. 377 will switch from the west to the east side of the roadway at 7 p.m., commencing the start of the next phase of construction of the Benbrook Boulevard/U.S. 377 expansion project. The switch will take place over two days and is expected to end Monday, July 20.

Located between Mercedes Street and Sproles Drive, this next phase of construction will move northbound traffic to the newly constructed pavement on the east side of the roadway. Southbound traffic will move east also, to the original southbound turning lanes. A concrete barrier will separate the northbound and southbound lanes.

"This phase in the project gets us closer to the completion of our newly expanded, safer roadway," says Benbrook Mayor Jerry Dittrich. "Though there was slight delay due to inclement weather in the spring months, TxDOT is moving relatively quickly on the project and we appreciate everyone's patience as we work toward Building a Better Benbrook."

During the majority of construction, two lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction. Daytime closures and multi-lane closures resulting from traffic switches will occasionally be necessary, but most of the construction will be behind barriers, and major intersections will continue to have left turn lanes.

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), in partnership with the City of Benbrook, will complete the \$22 million reconstruction of Benbrook Boulevard/U.S. 377 in Benbrook from Interstate 20 to Winscott Road/Lakeway Drive.

The 1.3-mile project, which will improve mobility and safety, will consist of the widening of Benbrook Boulevard/U.S. 377 from four to six lanes, the addition of raised curb medians with left turn bays and the installation of curbs and gutters. After construction, the City of Benbrook will beautify the area with additional landscaping.

The project, which consists of three phases, began in September 2014 and was awarded to Sterling Delaware Holding Co. It is estimated for completion in 2017.

For up-to-date project information, current road closures and to sign-up for e-mail alerts on construction activity, log on to: www.benbrookboulevard.com

TxDOT appreciates the patience of motorists, and encourages attention to all warning signs within the construction work zone while crews work diligently to complete this project as quickly and as safely as possible. You can see all Texas road conditions by visiting: www.drivetexas.org.

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